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Governors State University Faculty Senate

February 15, 1:00PM, Hall of Honors

Minutes

Senators in Attendance:

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|---|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|
| | A. Andrews (AL/COB) | X | J. Goode* (CAS) | X | A. Tamulis (CAS) |
| X | K. Boland-Prom* (AL/CHHS) | X | G. Howell (COE) | X | C. Vanderpool (Chang) |
| X | M. Carrington* (CAS) | X | J. Klomes (COE) | X | S. Wadhwa* (CHHS) |
| X | S. Cervantes (COE) | X | W. Kresse* (COB) | X | R. Washington (Falconnier) |
| X | A. Cipra* (COE) | X | P. Mohanty (COB) | X | B. Winicki* (AL/COE) |
| X | N. Ermasova (CAS) | X | R. Muhammad (AL/CAS)* | X | C. White (CAS) |
| X | E. Essex* (CHHS) | X | B. Parin* (AL/CAS) | X | M. Zell* (CHHS) |
| X | L. Geller* (UL) | X | J. Shin (CAS) | | |
| X | D. Golland* (CAS) | X | S. Spencer (CHHS) | | |

* = Faculty Senate Executive Committee, Standing Committee Chairs

Others Present: E. Cada, A Vendrely, C. Sexton, W. Davis

- I. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda. Golland called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. The draft agenda was approved without objection.
- II. Approval of appointment of replacement senators Vanderpool and Washington. Wadhwa moved. Cervantes Seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.
- III. Administration Updates
 - A. Updates (Sexton)
 - Prerequisite checker. Prerequisite checking will be turned on for the fall. Not going to be able to check for graduate courses that have undergraduate courses as pre-req.
 - Retake screen. Make sure that course retake information is in the catalog description. When faculty are off-contract, please talk with chairs about who should provide permission for registration for courses.
 - Definitions for hybrid/online instruction. If you have a course where you expect students to show up to campus at any point during a 15-week term, it should be called hybrid. If testing is the only on-site condition you must make arrangements for testing centers at a designated locale.

- Online course readiness. Some online courses are not ready on day 1 of the semester. One suggestion is to have chairs/programs check to make sure a course is ready to go. Additionally, each program could create a shell for online courses in the event they must hire an adjunct at the last minute.
- IAI conflicts. Cannot add prerequisites to IAI courses. Risks pulling IAI designation.

B. University Advancement Introduction (Davis)

- Looking for ways to collaborate with faculty on raising money for your programs. Needed: One-pager, impact and dollar amount.
- Please encourage students to apply for scholarships throughout the year. \$100,000 in scholarships is distributed annually and there is still money on the table. Have difficulties getting students to apply.
- Need help Identifying alumni to build relationships.
- Will raise money for 50th anniversary.

C. Congratulations to Faculty Promoted to Full Professor (Vendrely): (CAS: Daniel Cortese, David Rhea, Jason Zingsheim; CHHS: Kim Boland-Prom; COB: Olumide Ijose, Xinging Ji, Steven Wagner). Ning Lu (CHHS) was awarded a professional advancement increase.

D. Updates (Cada)

- First day. Welcome! Policy 26 Task Force has met. Updates later. First meeting for strategy for 2025 earlier this week.

IV. Old Business.

A. SEI Task Force Report Discussion

- Discussion of ad-hoc committee.
- Discussion of items, including what is “teaching style” and approval of items.

V. Reports

A. President

1. Student Scholarship Fund Procedure.

- Discussion of GPA requirement, community service, readers and process.
- Minimum hours for drop deadline, must be six hours undergrad. Will request for three for graduate hours. Minimum hours of complete is zero.
- Straw poll of six credits or three credits for graduate student. 13 votes for three credits for graduate students.
- Open to applicants, not specific to class rank.
- Comes moved and seconded by EC. Approved without abstentions.
- Alli Cipra, Jayne Goode, Bill Kresse volunteered to be members of reading committee.

2. AMPC Resolution.

- Will follow organization of Administrative Policy Committee. Discussion followed. Kresse moved the resolution. Wahdwa seconded.

- Amendment proposed to make Dean of Students and Director of Advising non-voting members. Seconded. Amendment approved unanimously.
- Motion as amended approved unanimously. [See Attachment 1.]
- 3. Proposed Bylaws Amendments
 - Explanation of new balloting procedures and ranked voting; elimination of budget committee.
- B. Senate Committees
 1. APRC (Wadhwa) No report.
 2. IPC (Boland-Prom)
 - a. Amendments to Policy 64 Moved and seconded by IPC.
 - Discussion ensued about definition of “manner of expression” language.
 - Amendment to add “legal” before “rights of others” approved by general consent.
 - Amendments to Policy 64 approved as amended with two opposed. [See attachment 2.]
 - b. Policy 38 - Postponed until next month.
 3. UCC (Parin) Moving ahead.
 4. Scheduling Task Force (Tamulis) Meeting at the end of February to discuss faculty and student surveys.
- C. University Committees
 1. GenEd Council (Zell) - Gen ed would like to add transfer student. Resolution Moved and seconded by GenEd council and approved. [See attachment 3.]
 2. Grad Council (Falconnier/Muhammad) Tiffany Robinson focused on admissions. Updating master lists. Requirements have not been updated.
- D. Bargaining Unit
 - a. Complaints about mindfulness courses teaching Buddhism.
 - b. Concern about academic freedom. Unit A dictating assignments to Unit B faculty. Will have to research definition. Unsure whether Unit A is instructor of record.
 - c. Rumors of extensions to course caps without faculty input.
 - d. Concerns about Gov. Rauner’s budget on health care and SURS.
 - e. UPI election timeline may be slower due to unforeseen circumstances.
- E. IBHE-FAC (Cortese). Resolution moved and seconded and approved. [See attachment 4.]
- F. Colleges
 - f. COB (Kresse) No report.
 - g. CAS (Carrington) No report.
 - h. CHHS (Essex) No report.
 - i. COE (Cipra) No report.
 - j. UL (Geller) No report.
 - c. New Business
 - d. Announcements
 - a. Next Senate Exec. Committee Meeting, Mar. 1, 1:00-3:00, Library Conf. Rm.
 - b. Next Senate Meeting, Mar. 29, 1:00-3:00, Hall of Honors

e. Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 3:20PM.